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SUBJECT: ACTION MEMORANDUM - CONTINGENCY CONDOLENCE
MESSAGE ON DEATH OF EISAKU SATO (S/S 7510390)

FOR THE SECRETARY FROM EA - MILLER

1. PROBLEM: IT APPEARS THAT FORMER JAPANESE PRIME
MINISTER EISAKU SATO MAY NOT SURVIVE HIS RECENT STROKE.
WE HAVE PREPARED THE FOLLOWING PERSONAL MESSAGE OF CON-
DOLENCE TO SATO'S FAMILY FOR YOUR APPROVAL. IN THE EVENT
OF SATO'S DEATH, IT WOULD BE TRANSMITTED BY THE DEPARTMENT
THROUGH AMEMBASSY TOKYO TO THE FAMILY; IT WOULD NOT BE
PUBLISHED BY THE DEPARTMENT BUT COULD BE RELEASED BY THE
JAPANESE.

2. DRAFT MESSAGE: "I AM PARTICULARLY SADDENED BY THE
NEWS OF THE DEATH OF EISAKU SATO. IT IS A DOUBLE LOSS --
THE DEATH OF A GREAT STATESMAN WHO CONTRIBUTED MUCH TO
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THE CAUSE OF PEACE AND THE PASSING OF A TRUSTED PERSONAL

FRIEND. SINCE MY FIRST MEETING WITH THEN PRIME MINISTER SATO, I LEARNED TO VALUE HIS WISDOM, HIS INSIGHT AND HIS FRIENDSHIP. I KNOW THAT MY RESPECT FOR HIM WAS SHARED BY OTHER AMERICANS AND DIPLOMATIC COLLEAGUES. IT IS WITH PERSONAL SORROW THAT I EXTEND MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO YOU

AND TO THE JAPANESE PEOPLE.
SINCERELY, HENRY A. KISSINGER"

3. RECOMMENDATION: THAT YOU APPROVE THE DRAFT TEXT FOR TRANSMITTAL TO SATO'S FAMILY IN THE EVENT OF HIS DEATH.

APPROVE

DISAPPROVE

4. CLEARED BY S/CPR. INGERSOLL

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